

February 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Press Secretary Dana Perino, who informed him of the death of William F. Buckley, Jr.

The President announced that he has named Sonya E. Medina as Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy and Director of Projects for the First Lady.

The President announced that he has named Cynthia Stowe as Special Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Senior Director for Prevention Policy.

The President announced that he has named Alison Teal Young as Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of the USA Freedom Corps.

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In the afternoon, in the Old Family Dining Room, the President had lunch with Secretary General Jakob Gijsbert “Jaap” de Hoop Scheffer of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. He then traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, where he was joined by Mrs. Bush. Later, they welcomed Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen of Denmark and his wife, Anne-Mette Rasmussen, to the Bush Ranch.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush had dinner with Prime Minister Rasmussen and Mrs. Rasmussen.

**Nominations
Submitted to the Senate**

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted February 25

Joseph A. Benkert, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, vice Peter Cyril Wyche Flory, resigned.

Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Zambia.

Carol Dillon Kissal, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Small Business Administration, vice Eric M. Thorson.

Scot A. Marciel, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Affairs.

Nancy E. McEldowney, of Florida, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Bulgaria.

Stephen George McFarland, of Texas, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Guatemala.

Gillian Arlette Milovanovic, of Pennsylvania, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Mali.

Submitted February 26

Kenneth E. Carfine, of Maryland, to be a member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 21, 2010, vice Robert M. Tobias, term expired.

Peter E. Cianchette,
of Maine, to be Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary of the United States of
America to the Republic of Costa Rica.

Colm F. Connolly,
of Delaware, to be U.S. District Judge for
the District of Delaware, vice Kent A. Jordan,
elevated.

Edwin Eck,
of Montana, to be a member of the Internal
Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term
expiring September 14, 2008, vice Karen
Hastie Williams, term expired.

Sheila McNamara Greenwood,
of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of
Housing and Urban Development, vice Steven
B. Nesmith, resigned.

Paul A. Schneider,
of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of
Homeland Security, vice Michael Jackson,
resigned.

Withdrawn February 26

Peter E. Cianchette,
of Maine, to be a member of the Internal
Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term
expiring September 14, 2010, vice Nancy
Killefer, term expired, which was sent to the
Senate on January 9, 2007.

Stanley C. Suboleski,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of
Energy (Fossil Energy), vice Jeffrey D.
Jarrett, resigned, which was sent to the Senate
on December 11, 2007.

Catherine G. West,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member
of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight
Board for a term expiring September 14,
2008, vice Karen Hastie Williams, term
expired, which was sent to the Senate on January
9, 2007.

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Nanci E. Langley,
of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the Postal
Regulatory Commission for a term expiring
November 22, 2012, vice Dawn A. Tisdale,
term expired.

Ronald D. Rotunda,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Privacy
and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a
term of 4 years expiring January 29, 2012
(new position).

Daniel W. Sutherland,
of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Privacy
and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a
term of 6 years expiring January 29, 2014
(new position).

Francis X. Taylor,
of Maryland, to be a member of the Privacy
and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a
term of 2 years expiring January 29, 2010
(new position).

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office
of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as
items nor covered by entries in the Digest of
Other White House Announcements.

Released February 25

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary
Dana Perino

Statement by the Press Secretary on House
of Representatives action on intelligence reform
legislation

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of
King Abdullah II and Queen Rania of Jordan
to the White House

Statement by the Press Secretary: Call for
Release of Belarusian Political Prisoner Aleksandr
Kozulin

Fact sheet: The Quiet Revolution: A Seven-Year
Progress Report

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Dana Perino

Transcript of a press briefing by senior administration
officials on intelligence reform legislation